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CIA DEFENDED, CRITICIZED

House Hears Charge That Reds Are In Agency

Washington, March 26 (AP)—The Central Intelligence Agency was both criticized and defended today on the House floor.

Representative Feighan (D., Ohio) renewed charges that Russian security agents have infiltrated the top-secret United States agency after Representative Arends (R., Ill.) denounced such statements as irresponsible.

Arends, the assistant House Republican leader, referred to a series of articles in the New York Journal American, quoting charges by a Polish defector, Michael Goleniewski.

Feighan, declaring it is time

that Congress "obtain the full story of Russian penetration in our Government," called again for creation of a Senate-House committee on intelligence to supervise CIA operations.

"Is it not true," Feighan asked, "that Mr. Goleniewski has revealed deep penetration in the CIA by Russian KGB agents?"

Arends is a member of the House Armed Services subcommittee on the CIA, and he repeatedly based his defense of the agency on secret information he said he received from it.

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Arends, who called the CIA "the finest intelligence agency in the world today," defended the agency also against a recent magazine article by Representative Lindsay (R., N.Y.).

Arends said the accusations in the Journal American series were wild and based on half-truths, distortions and complete untruths.

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